Resolutely Combat Soviet Modern Revisionism

UNDER the leadership of the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung, the Chinese Communist Party and the Chinese people, together with the genuine Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations and the revolutionary people the world over, unremittingly waged the struggle against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core; they have won great victories and an excellent situation has emerged in the international communist movement. The struggle has caused more and more people in the world to see clearly the Khrushchov-Brezhnev clique's true features - social-imperialists and renegades to Marxism-Leninism. For the Soviet revisionists, the going is very tough. Lately, they have been revving up their propaganda machine in a shameless effort to make themselves look good. They called their party "Lenin's party" and declared that they, the Soviet revisionist leading group, "have creatively applied and developed Marxism-Leninism" and "are loyal to proletarian internationalism," and so on. This despicable way of whitewashing themselves and self-glorification can only serve to make people disgusted and result in public condemnation.

This great struggle launched by Chairman Mao began with the criticism of Khrushchov's revisionist line. Having usurped leadership of the Soviet Party and state, the Khrushchov-Brezhnev renegade clique, while vehemently opposing Stalin and Marxism-Lenin-

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ism, produced a complete set of dyed-in-the-wool revisionist programmes, namely, "peaceful coexistence," "peaceful competition," "peaceful transition," "a party of the whole people" and "a state of the whole people"; they disgracefully betrayed Marxist-Leninist theories concerning the proletarian revolution and the dictatorship of the proletariat and internally replaced the dictatorship of the proletariat in the Soviet Union with the dictatorship of the bourgeoisie; internationally, they frenziedly opposed and betrayed the revolutionary struggles of the people of various countries. Brezhnev who succeeded Khrushchov not only donned the latter's mantle but went even farther in betraying Marxism-Leninism, the Soviet people and the people of the world, causing still greater harm to the international communist movement and the world people's revolutionary cause. It is Brezhnev who has completed the evolution from capitalist restoration to social-imperialism started by Khrushchov. At home, the Brezhnev clique, with a view to strengthening bureaucrat-monopoly capitalist class rule, publicized the fallacy that "the cause of the dictatorship of the proletariat is to be carried on by the state of the whole people" and talked effusively of "strengthened legality and order" to intensify fascist dictatorship and step up its exploitation, plunder and suppression of the Soviet people. Internationally, in contending for world hegemony with the other superpower, the Brezhnev clique intensified aggression and 305

expansion on a worldwide scale. Meanwhile, it continued to wave the tattered banner of "peaceful coexistence," concocted a so-called "programme of peace" and brought out the "Brezhnev doctrine" to justify its acts of aggression.

Thus, Brezhnev has done all that Khrushchov had failed to do or left undone. Armed occupation of Czechoslovakia, military provocations against China, support for the traitorous Lon Nol clique, suppression of the Polish workers' uprising, so-called "integration" to tighten its grip over Eastern Europe, dismemberment of Pakistan, a naval presence in every ocean as a show of force, armed intervention in Angola - all these evil and scandalous doings are Brezhnev's "exploits" in feverish pursuance of the policy of social-imperialism. In the last 20-odd years, the Khrushchov-Brezhnev clique has ruined the world's first socialist state, disintegrated the proletarian parties in some countries and undermined the cause of proletarian revolution and the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and oppressed people in a number of countries. The result is that numerous liberated working people have once again been made wage slaves and numerous revolutionaries have been butchered by the imperialists and reactionaries. This handful of renegades has transformed the Soviet Union into a social-imperialist superpower, one of the biggest international exploiters and oppressors, the most ferocious enemy of the people the world over and the most dangerous source of war today. The crimes of the Soviet revisionist renegade clique in betraying Marxism-Leninism and the revolutionary cause are far, far more serious than those committed by any other revisionists in history.

A sworn enemy of Marxism-Leninism, the Soviet revisionist renegade clique nevertheless flaunts the banner of Marxism-Leninism to deceive people everywhere. Brezhnev who 15 years ago sang the praises of Khrushchov who was said to "have consistently and creatively developed" Marxism-Leninism, has now engaged in self-flattery by bestowing on himself the laurel of "the staunch Marxist-Leninist." This is an intolerable insult and ridiculing of Marxism-Leninism. However, as Lenin pointed out: "It cannot be prohibited from doing this, just as a trading firm cannot be prohibited from using any particular label, sign or advertisement." (Imperialism and the Split in Socialism.) This being the case, all genuine Marxist-Leninists are duty bound to mercilessly unmask the Khrushchov-Brezhnev clique, expose its true colours as renegades, defend the purity of Marxism-Leninism and safeguard the fundamental interests of the international proletariat and the world's revolutionary people.

The entire history of the international communist movement is in fact a history of the struggle between Marxism on the one hand and opportunism and revisionism on the other, a history of the struggle between the Marxist-Leninist revolutionary line and opportunist and revisionist lines of all descriptions. Truth develops

in the course of struggle with the false. Marxism develops in the course of struggle with revisionism and all other reactionary trends of thought and can develop only through struggle. For more than a century, every major criticism and every major struggle waged by Marxism against opportunism and revisionism has produced extremely far-reaching influence. The struggle led by Marx and Engels in the latter half of the 19th century to criticize opportunism of all stripes and the struggle led by Lenin at the beginning of the 20th century to criticize the Second International's revisionism have set us immortal and brilliant examples. The struggle personally initiated by Chairman Mao against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core is another great struggle of epoch-making significance and far-reaching historical influence, another great struggle against the surging adverse currents of revisionism launched after those waged by Marx, Engels and Lenin. This struggle has already won great victories but is still far from over. This is particularly so because the Soviet revisionist renegade clique has grown from "opportunism into imperialism." (Lenin: The Tasks of the Third International.) This clique is pushing its counter-revolutionary global strategy for world domination under the cover of "Marxism-Leninism," "socialism" and "the Communist Party" and is using various revisionist fallacies to serve its aggression and expansion. It describes the sham detente as "practising" the principle of peaceful coexistence, its colonial rule imposed on Eastern Europe as "defending the socialist community" and its wanton aggression, subversion, intervention, control and bullying of other countries as "carrying out proletarian internationalist duties." Its so-called "peaceful coexistence" is actually contention for hegemony under the ragged banner of "peace"; its so-called "peaceful competition" is really arms expansion and war preparations under the smokescreen of detente; its so-called "peaceful transition" is simply a means for the Soviet revisionists to expand their sphere of influence. Soviet revisionism, which is socialism in words and imperialism in deeds, is dangerous, reactionary and deceptive in nature. Therefore, to combat imperialism and hegemonism, it is imperative to combat modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core. And to fight the aggressive and expansionist acts of the Soviet social-imperialists, it is at the same time necessary to expose the essence of their revisionist theories that have betrayed Marxism-Leninism. Today the struggle against modern revisionism is closely linked with the struggle against imperialism and social-imperialism. It is an issue of great importance affecting success or failure of the revolutionary cause of the world proletariat and the liberation cause of the oppressed nations and oppressed people of the world.

The Communist Party of China and the Chinese people will resolutely and persistently carry on the struggle against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core. Always loyal to Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people are determined to follow the teachings of the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao, carry out his behests, hold high the banner of Marxism-Leninism, strengthen our unity with the genuine Marxist-Leninist Parties and

organizations of the world and with the revolutionary people of all countries, and carry on the sustained struggle against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core until revisionism no longer exists on the globe, until the emergence of a more brilliant communist tomorrow.